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SUBJECT:

Laboratory Directed Research and Development

On April 19, 2006, the Department issued DOE Order 413.2B, "Laboratory Directed Research and Development." The DOE Order has been updated to reflect recent reorganizations within DOE and improvements in our management practices, as well as to comply with new reporting and oversight requirements as a result of Government Accountability Office reviews and specific Congressional direction.

While DOE Order 413.2B provides a concise statement establishing policy requirements, the more specific oversight procedures for laboratory directed research and development (LDRD) have been developed through a coordinated effort led by the Office of Science (SC) and the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA). The attached document provides a consolidated set of roles, responsibilities and guidelines for LDRD conducted at the DOE/NNSA laboratories. It replaces all LDRD guidance previously issued by SC.

If you have any questions, please contact John LaBarge of my staff at (202) 586-9747.

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